

> RIVERS, CREEK, LAKES AND DAMS SNAPSHOT:
10 YEAR ANALYSIS 2011/12 TO 2020/21

924

**PEOPLE DROWNED
IN RIVERS, CREEKS, LAKES AND DAMS**
2011/12 TO 2020/21



34%
of all drowning deaths
in Australia



92
people every year



80%
of all drowning deaths
were males

Top age groups

18% 25 – 34 years

14% 35 - 44 years

12% 45 - 54 years

Where

73% river/creek

27% lake/dam

5% national parks/state
conservation areas

Distance travelled



40% drowned within 0 - 20km of where they lived

When



39%
Summer



44%
Afternoon



32%
During school holidays



7%
During public holidays

Activity



22%
Swimming & recreating



19%
Fall into water



17%
Boating & watercraft



8%
Flood-related

Top inland locations for drowning

